The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" It is sent by regular money order in the normal course."

Sri V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" Was not the present system devised to eliminate delay in the previous system of payment and if this system is equally bad, has the Hon. Minister a delay-proof perfect system? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, the difficulties of the elementary school teachers are many. It varies from place to place. Therefore we have to make changes so that they may get their salaries regularly. This question is under the consideration of the Government and I am hoping that the Committee which has been appointed to go into the elementary education system will also make some recommendations in this behalf and after that we will take a final decision."

Sri S. RAMALINGAM :—" மலபாரில் மாத்திரம் இதுமாதிரி ஒரு பிரத்யேகமான முறையை அனுஷ்டிப்பதற்கும், மற்ற ஜில்லாக்களுக்கு இந்த முறையை விஸ்தரிக்காமல் இருப்பகற்கும் என்ன காரணம் ? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" மலபாரில் புகார்கள் அதிகமாக இருந்ததினால்தான் அங்கே உடனடியாக இந்த முறையைக் கொண்டுவரவேண்டியிருந்தது."

Minor irrigation works in South Arcot

* 1013 *Q*.—Sri K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of estimates regarding minor irrigation works, pending with the Executive Engineer, South Arcot, for his technical approval on this date; and

(*b*) the reasons for the pendency?

The Hon. Sri R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (*a*) Fifty.

" (*b*) The pendency was due to the fact that all the fifty estimates were received in one batch, that there was rush of work in the drawing branch of the Division Office which had two new recruits and that most of the proposals required inspection of tanks before technical sanction could be accorded."

Pariyaram-Neruvambram road

* 1014 *Q*.—Sri K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) the present stage of the construction of the road from Pariyaram to Neruvambram in Madayi firka, Chirakkal taluk, North Malabar; and

(*b*) when the construction of the road will be completed?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) Rough formation of the major portion of the road from Pariyaram to

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Neruvambram was done by the Panchayat Board, Cheruthazham-Kunhimangalam sometime back. Proposal for the complete formation of this road at an estimated cost of Rs. 20,000 was included in the list of works drawn up for the Payyanur National Extension Service Block. The Scheme was however dropped as contribution to the extent of 50 per cent of the total estimated cost of the work was not forthcoming from the villagers or the Panchayat Board, Cheruthazham-Kunhimangalam. No work is done on the road now.

" (b) Does not arise."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" Sir, in view of the fact that the people in the locality are not in a position to contribute half of the expenditure, will the Government be pleased to include this work in any other scheme of the Government?"

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Sir, I do not think there is any other scheme where such a work costing more than ten thousand rupees is taken up without any contribution from the people. Therefore, I would suggest to the hon. Member to see to what extent he could secure contribution from the local people."

Communist activities of College students

* 1015 Q.—SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM (on behalf of Sri T. C. Narayanan Nambiar) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have directed the Principals of the Presidency College and other Colleges of Madras to report on the Communist activities of the students in the Colleges and the College Unions; and

(b) if so, the reasons for such a circular and the reports received thereon?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a) No, Sir.

" (b) Does not arise."

SRI S. DAIVASIGAMONEY :—" May I know whether the Government have directed the Principals of Colleges to report on the Communist activities on the students in the Colleges and the College Unions?"

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I do not think by changing the preposition, the hon. Member has changed the meaning of the question."